

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA  
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE, EAST KHASI HILLS DISTRICT  
::: S H I L L O N G :::

**ORDER UNDER SECTION 163 BNSS**

Whereas, information have been received that there is an ongoing dispute between two factions of the Presbyterian Church at Kshepyndeng, under Maryngkneng Police Station;

And that the newly established faction of the church intends to re-baptize the older residents of the locality on the 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2025, an action vehemently opposed by the rival faction;

And whereas, if this move is allowed may escalate tensions and result in a serious breach of law and order;

And whereas, I am fully satisfied that prohibitory order under **Section 163 BNSS** is necessary to be passed;

Now, therefore, I, Smti. R.M. Kurbah, IAS, District Magistrate, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong in exercise of the powers conferred upon me under **Section 163 BNSS** do hereby prohibits any gathering at the disputed site.

Any violation to this Order shall be prosecuted under **Section 223 of the BNS**.

In view of the urgency of the situation, this order has been passed exparte and it shall come into force with immediate effect and remain in force till further orders.

Given under my hand and seal this, the 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2025.

Sd/-  
(Smti. R.M. Kurbah, IAS),  
District Magistrate,  
East Khasi Hills District,  
Shillong.

Memo No. C&S.14/163/BNSS/2023/121-A

Dated Shillong the 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2025

Copy to :-

1. The P. S to the Chief Secretary, Meghalaya, Shillong, for kind information of the Chief Secretary.
2. The P. S to the Additional Chief Secretary, Meghalaya, Home(Political) Department etc., Shillong, for kind information of the Additional Chief Secretary.
3. The P. S to the Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, A. H & Vety./Arts & Culture Department etc. cum Commissioner of Division, Khasi/Jaintia & Ri Bhoi District, for kind information of the Principal Secretary.
4. The Superintendent of Police, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong for information and necessary action.
- ✓ 5. The Director of Information and Public Relations, Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of giving wide publicity through the Press.
6. The Block Development Officer, Mawryngkneng C&RD Block, Mawryngkneng for favour of information and necessary action.
7. The concerned Sordar/Headman for information and necessary action.



District Magistrate,  
East Khasi Hills District,  
Shillong.